1	2	3	4	5
24.	Punjab	341	136	477
25.	Rajasthan	4265	895	5160
26.	Tamil Nadu	3091	709	3800
27.	Tripura	72	0	72
28.	Uttar Pradesh	27381	1723	29104
29.	Uttaranchal	902	63	965
30.	West Bengal	8067	5	8072
	TOTAL :	104,000	16405	120405

Note: Balance 95 seats were kept for Khadimul Hujjaj.

Misery of Hindu Pakistani Nationals

1570. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Hindu Pakistani nationals who came to India over the last few years and not returned to Pakistan for fear of persecution are languishing in border areas and leading a life of misery;

(b) if so, whether this case has been discussed with Government of Pakistan, as persecution of minorities in two countries violates the Nehru-Liyaquat pact;

(c) if so, details of protest lodged with Pakistan and their reaction thereto; and

(d) whether international forums like UN Commission for Refugees have been apprised about their plight, if so, the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI S.M. KRISHNA): (a) to (c) There have been instances of persecution of minority groups in Pakistan. However, the precise reason for overstay in India of those individuals who came from Pakistan to India over the last few years is not established.

The Simla Agreement between India and Pakistan specifically made provision for non-interference in each other's internal affairs. It is the responsibility of the Government of Pakistan to discharge its obligations towards its citizens. However, based on reports of persecution of minority groups in Pakistan, Government had separately taken up the matter with the Government of Pakistan. The Government of Pakistan stated that it was fully cognizant of the situation and looked after the welfare of all its citizens, particularly the minority community.

(d) No.